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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re Application of:  
Lirio Quintero**

**Group Art Unit: 1712**

**Serial No.: 10/023,273**

**Examiner: Tucker, P.**

**Filed: December 14, 2001**

<b>For:</b>	<b>Surfactant-Polymer Composition</b>	<b>\$</b>
	<b>for Substantially Solid-Free Water</b>	<b>\$</b>
	<b>Based Drilling, Drill-in and</b>	<b>\$</b>
	<b>Completion Fluids</b>	<b>\$</b>

**Atty. Docket: B154-26969**

## RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

**Mail Stop AF  
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In response to the Final Action mailed August 26, 2004, please amend the referenced application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 48 of this paper.**